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REMARKS

With this Amendment, Claims 1 and 9-24 are pending. Claim 1 has been amended, and Claims 9-24 have been added. Claims 2-8 have been canceled.

Claim Rejections – 35 U.S.C. § 102

The Examiner rejected Claim 1 under 35 U.S.C. § 102(b) as being anticipated by Reidenbach. Applicant has amended Claim 1 as discussed in the Interview to recite, inter alia, that the long U-shaped wire prongs extend lower than the short U-shaped wire prongs. Applicant submits that the combination of features recited by amended Claim 1 are not taught or suggested by Reidenbach, and that this rejection should be withdrawn.

New Claims

Applicant has added new Claims 9-24. As discussed in the Interview, each of these new claims positively recites, inter alia, “a basket for holding a chip food product” and “a wire frame,” consistent with Claim 1. Applicant submits that each of these claims distinguish over the Reidenbach reference, and are properly grouped with Applicant’s previous election of Claim 1.

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CONCLUSION


Applicant submits that the present application is in condition for allowance, and such action is respectfully requested. Should the Examiner have any questions or concerns regarding this Amendment, the Examiner is invited to contact the Attorney of Record at the number indicated below.

Please charge any additional fees, including any fees for additional extension of time, or credit overpayment to Deposit Account No. 11-1410.

Respectfully submitted,

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